MARVEL

ULTIMATE X-MEN

PEACH MOMOKO

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Thanks for ditching school with me, Hisako.
Don't worry about it, Tsubasa.
I'm surprised you wanted to.
Still, today is a good day for it.

Actually... it's not just today.
I don't want to go back at all.
Are you serious?! Drop out of school?!
That's kinda punk rock.
Should I have said something else? Tried to talk him out of it?
I could have at least asked him why. Listened to him.
I never thought he would...

Huh?! A dream...?
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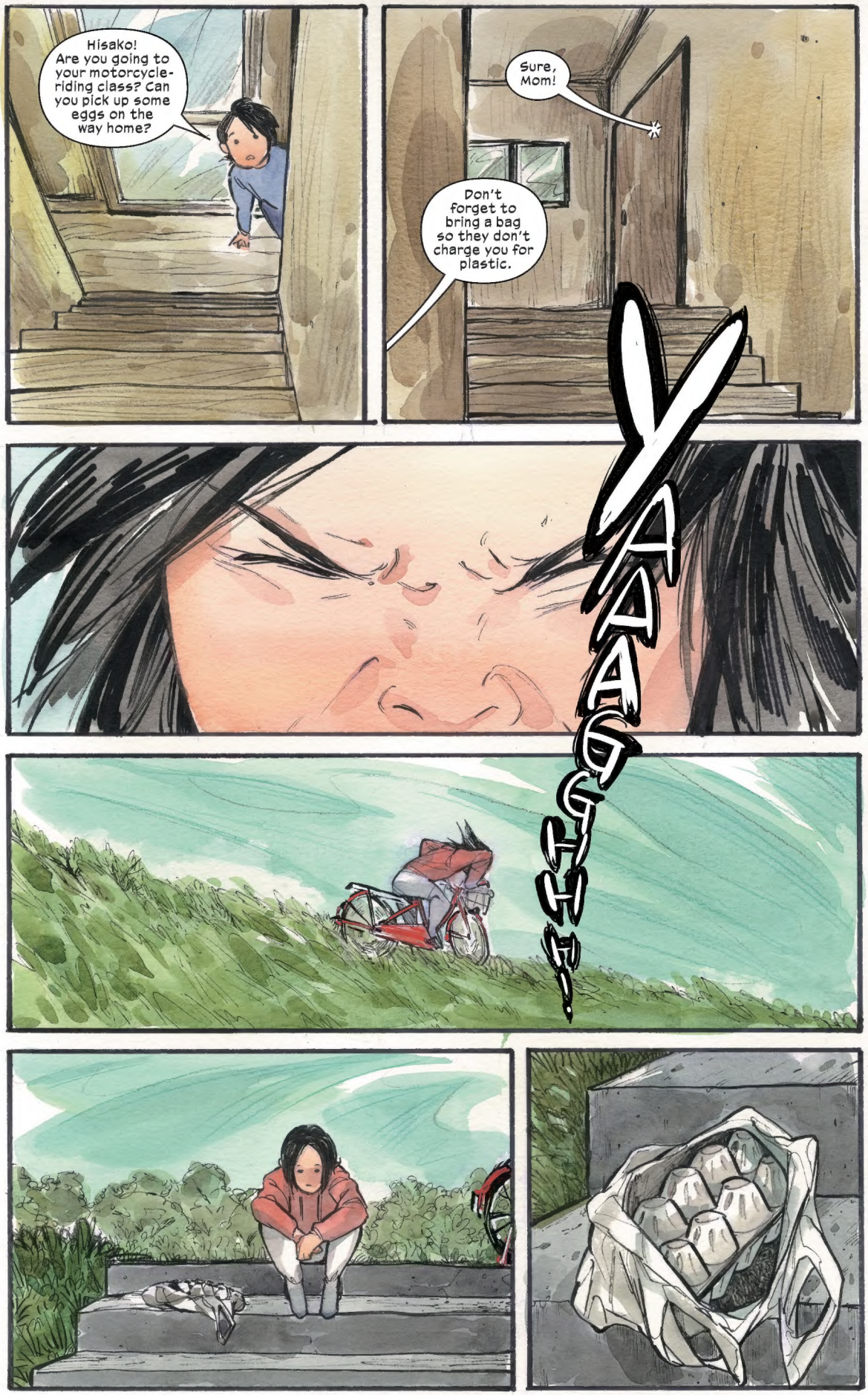
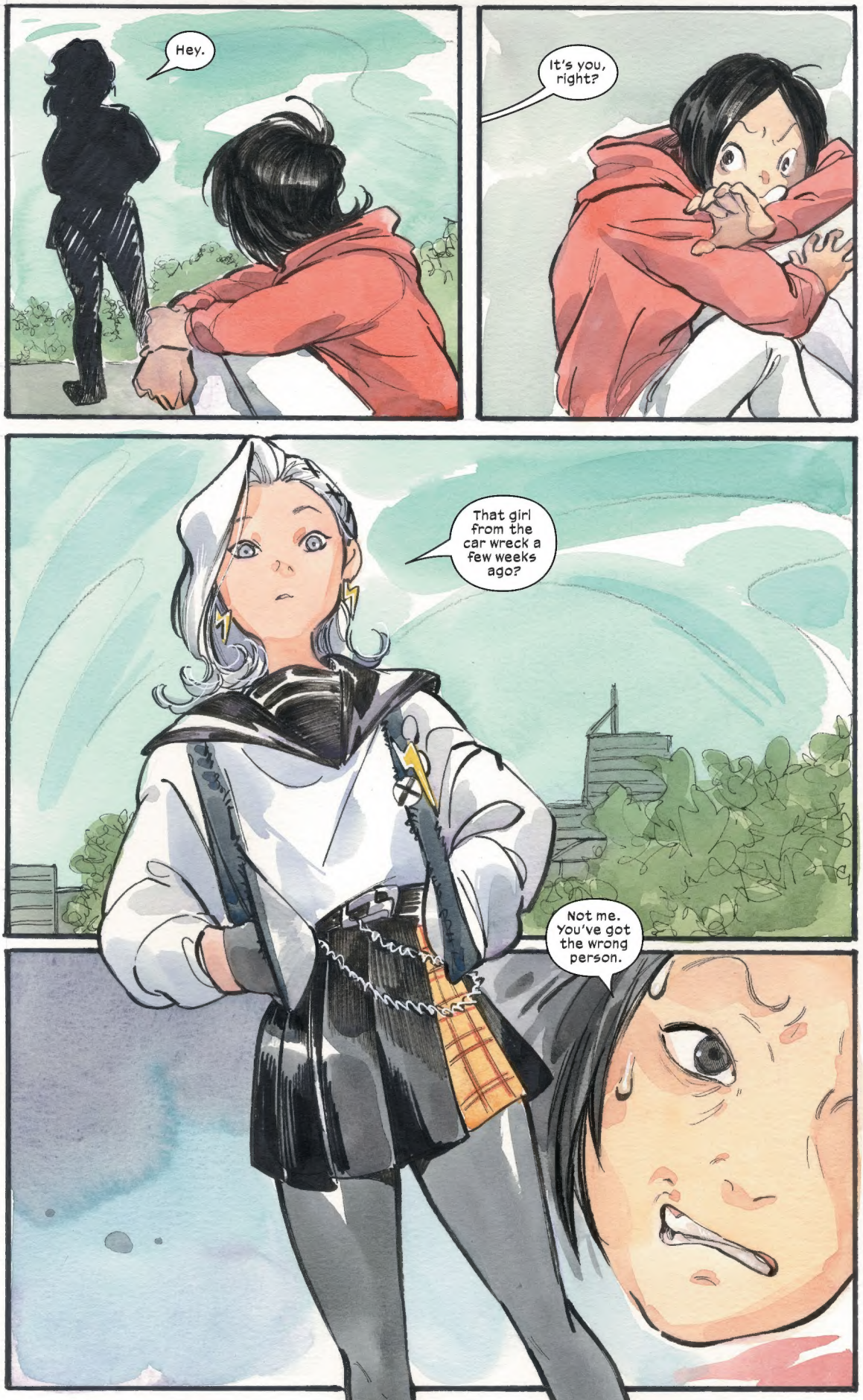
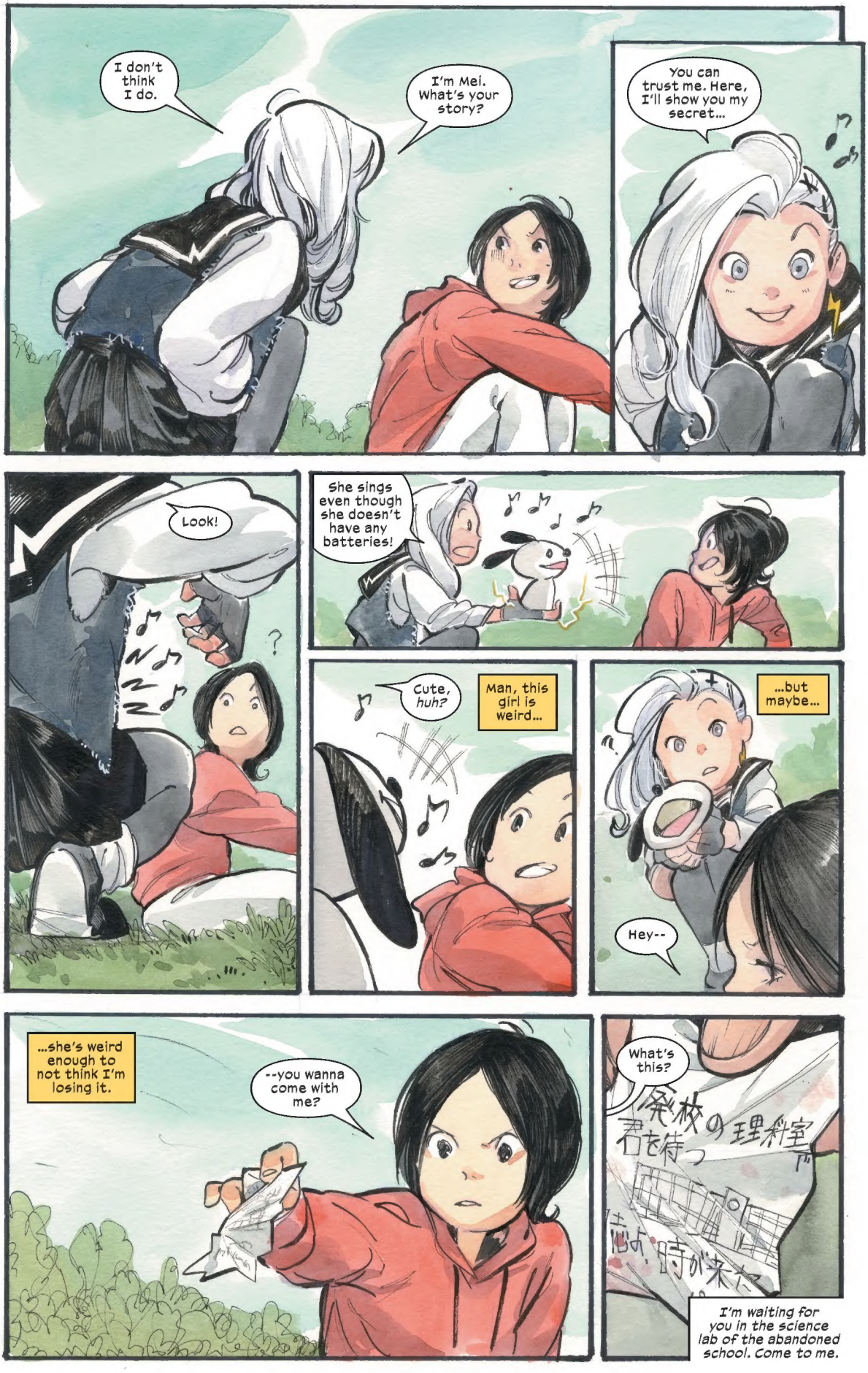
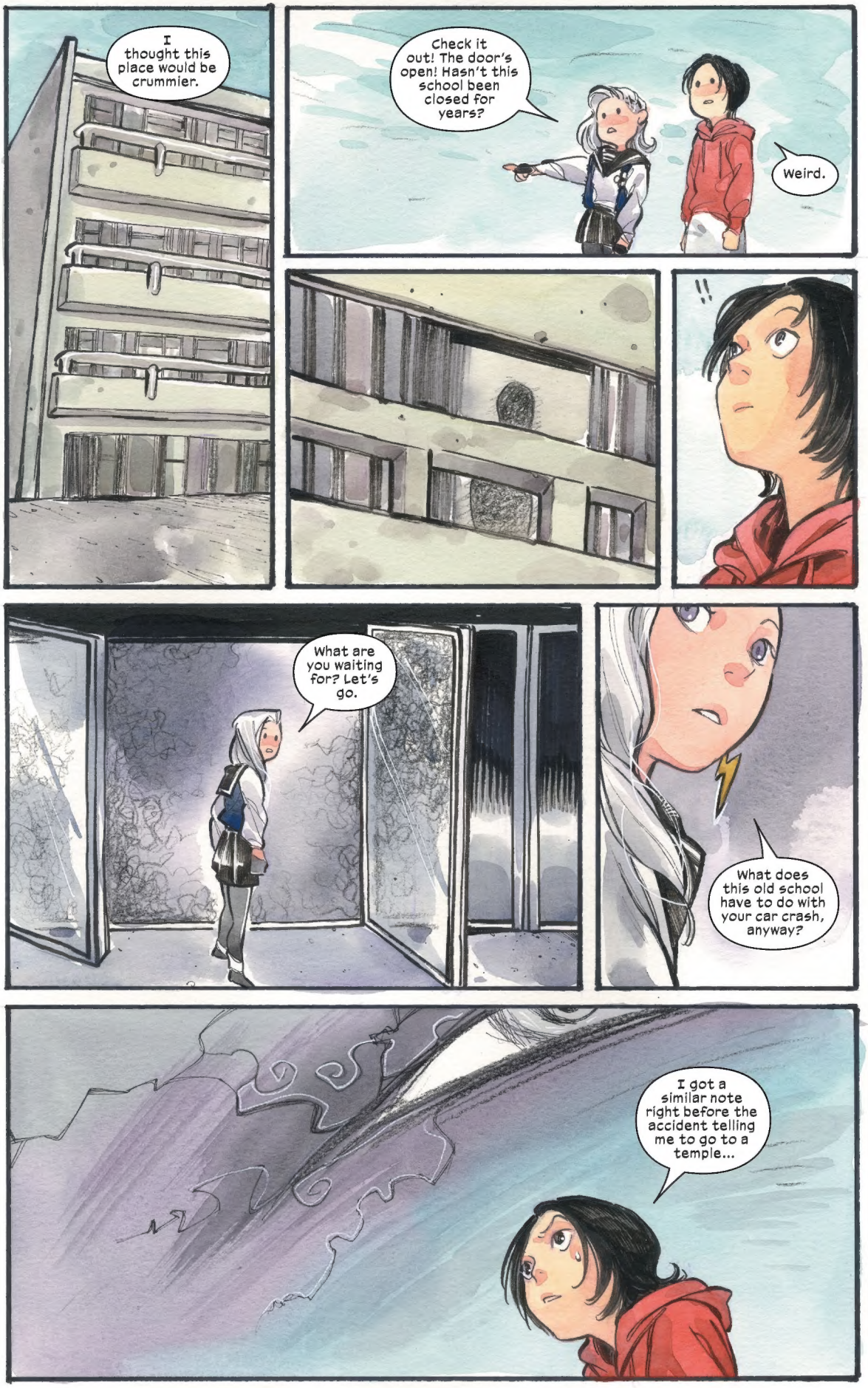

Hisako! Are you going to your motorcycle-riding class? Can you pick up some eggs on the way home?
Sure, Mom!
Don't forget to bring a bag so they don't charge you for plastic.
YAAAGGGHH!


Hey.
It's you, right?
That girl from the car wreck a few weeks ago?
Not me. You've got the wrong person.


I don't think I do.
I'm Mei. What's your story?
You can trust me. Here, I'll show you my secret...
Look!
She sings even though she doesn't have any batteries!
Cute, huh?
Man, this girl is weird...
...but maybe...
Hey--
...she's weird enough to not think I'm losing it.
--you wanna come with me?
What's this?
I'm waiting for you in the science lab of the abandoned school. Come to me.


I thought this place would be crummier.
Check it out! The door's open! Hasn't this school been closed for years?
Weird.
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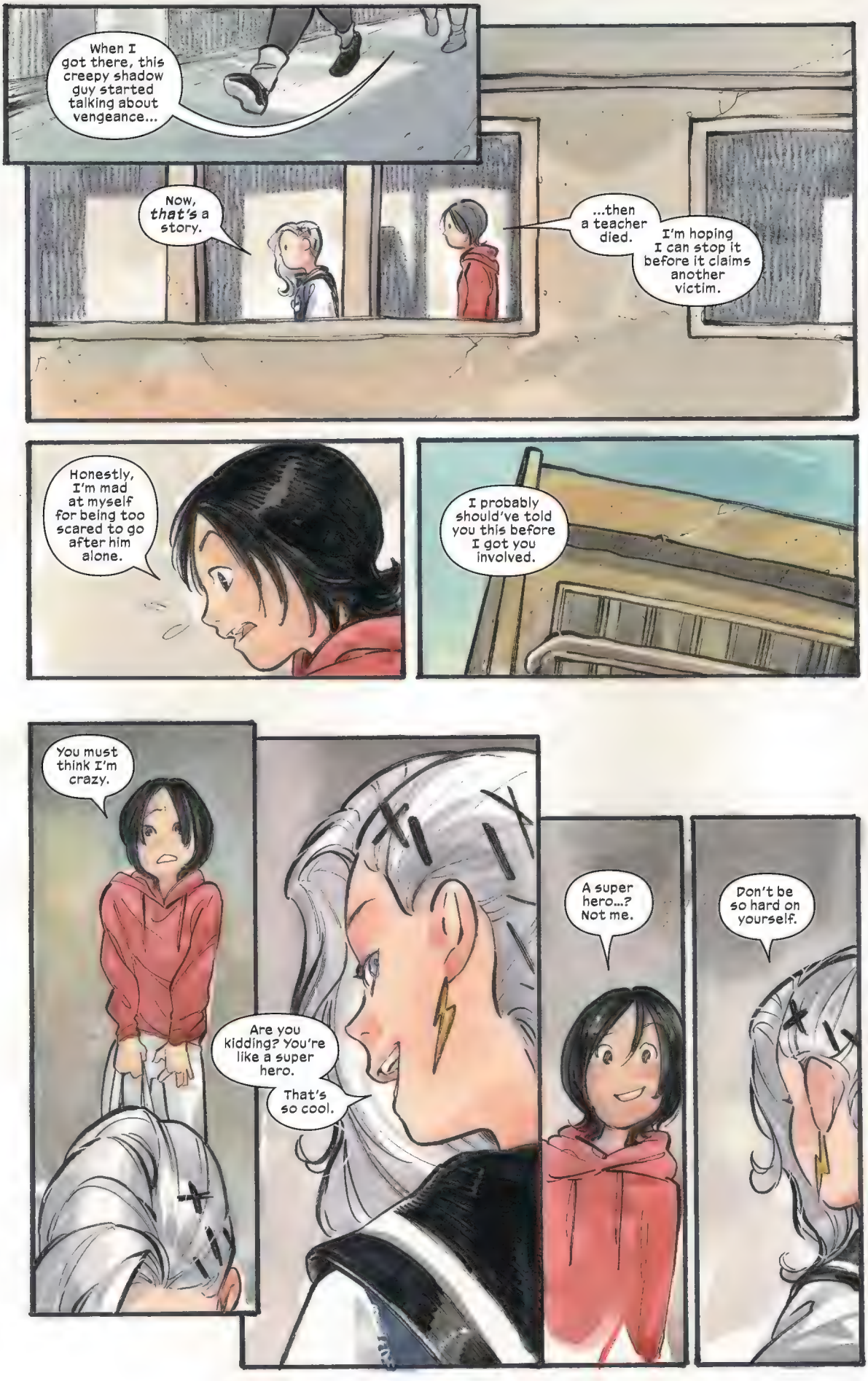
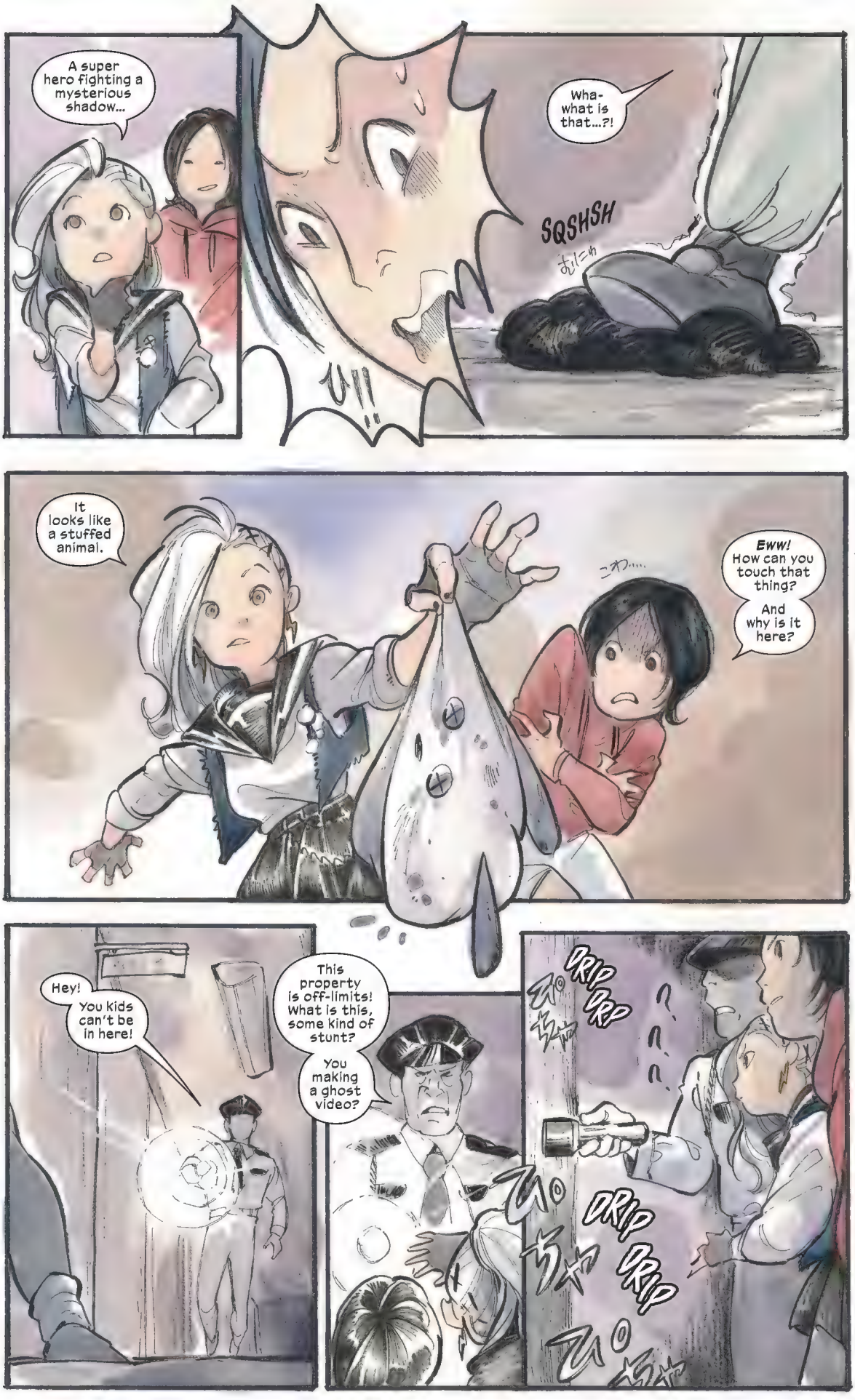
What are you waiting for? Let's go.
What does this old school have to do with your car crash, anyway?
I got a similar note right before the accident telling me to go to a temple...


When I got there, this creepy shadow guy started talking about vengeance...
Now, *that's* a story.
...then a teacher died.
I'm hoping I can stop it before it claims another victim.
Honestly, I'm mad at myself for being too scared to go after him alone.
I probably should've told you this before I got you involved.
You must think I'm crazy.
Are you kidding? You're like a super hero.
That's so cool.
A super hero...? Not me.
Don't be so hard on yourself.


A super hero fighting a mysterious shadow...
Wha- what is that...?!
SQSHSH
It looks like a stuffed animal.
EWW! How can you touch that thing?
And why is it here?
Hey! You kids can't be in here!
This property is off-limits! What is this, some kind of stunt?
You making a ghost video?
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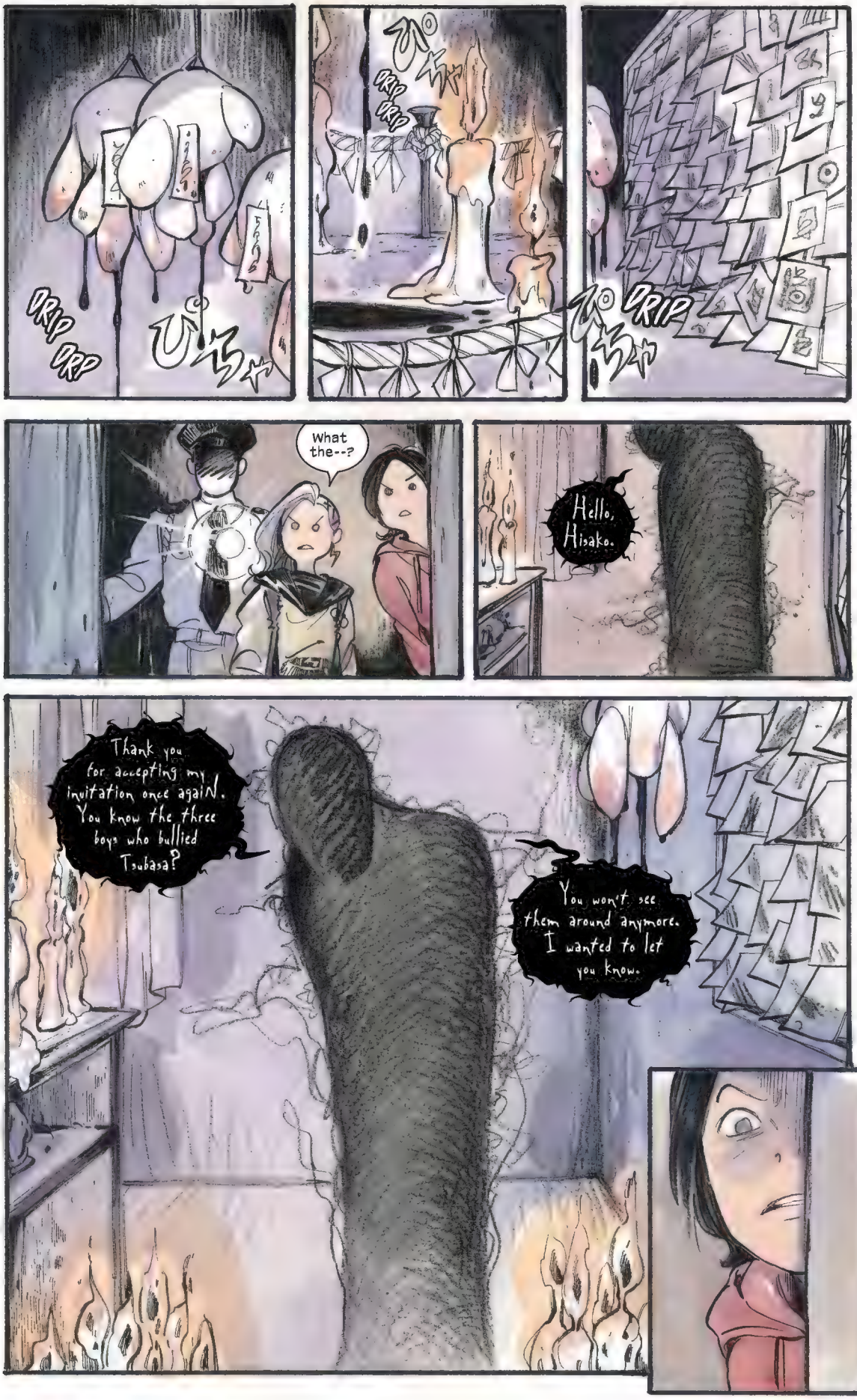
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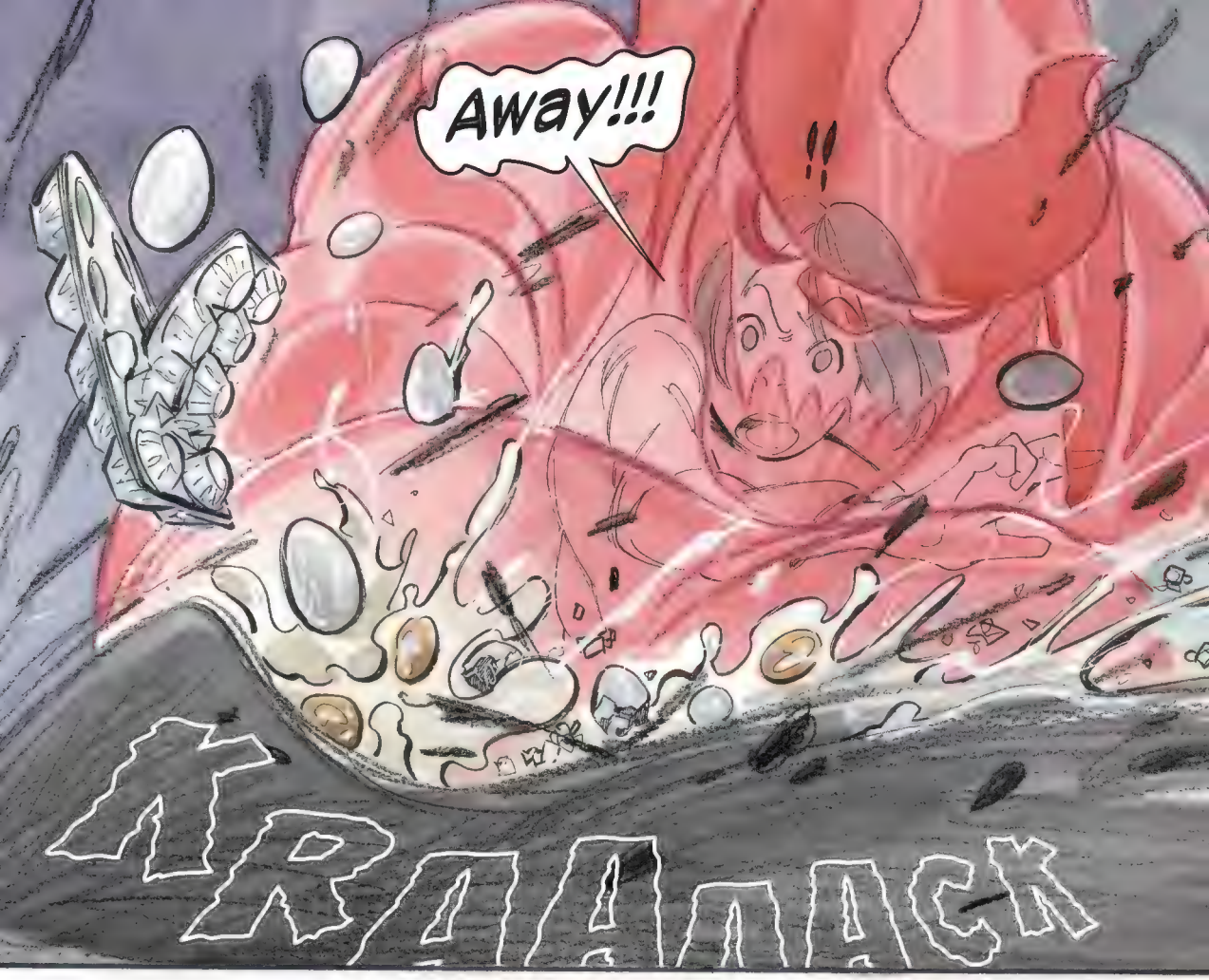
What the--?
Hello, Hisako.
Thank you for accepting my invitation once again. You know the three boys who bullied Tsubasa?
You won't see them around anymore. I wanted to let you know.

I see you brought a friend.
I-it's him...
Sir! He's a killer!
Who's a killer?
Run!!!

Mei, what are you--
FWOOOSH
What? How did you do that?!

We can't stop it!
GO!


Away!!!
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ATTACK

Oh shoot...
The eggs for my mom...

Erghhh...
Why...?

That girl...I know her face from somewhere...
Hisako...

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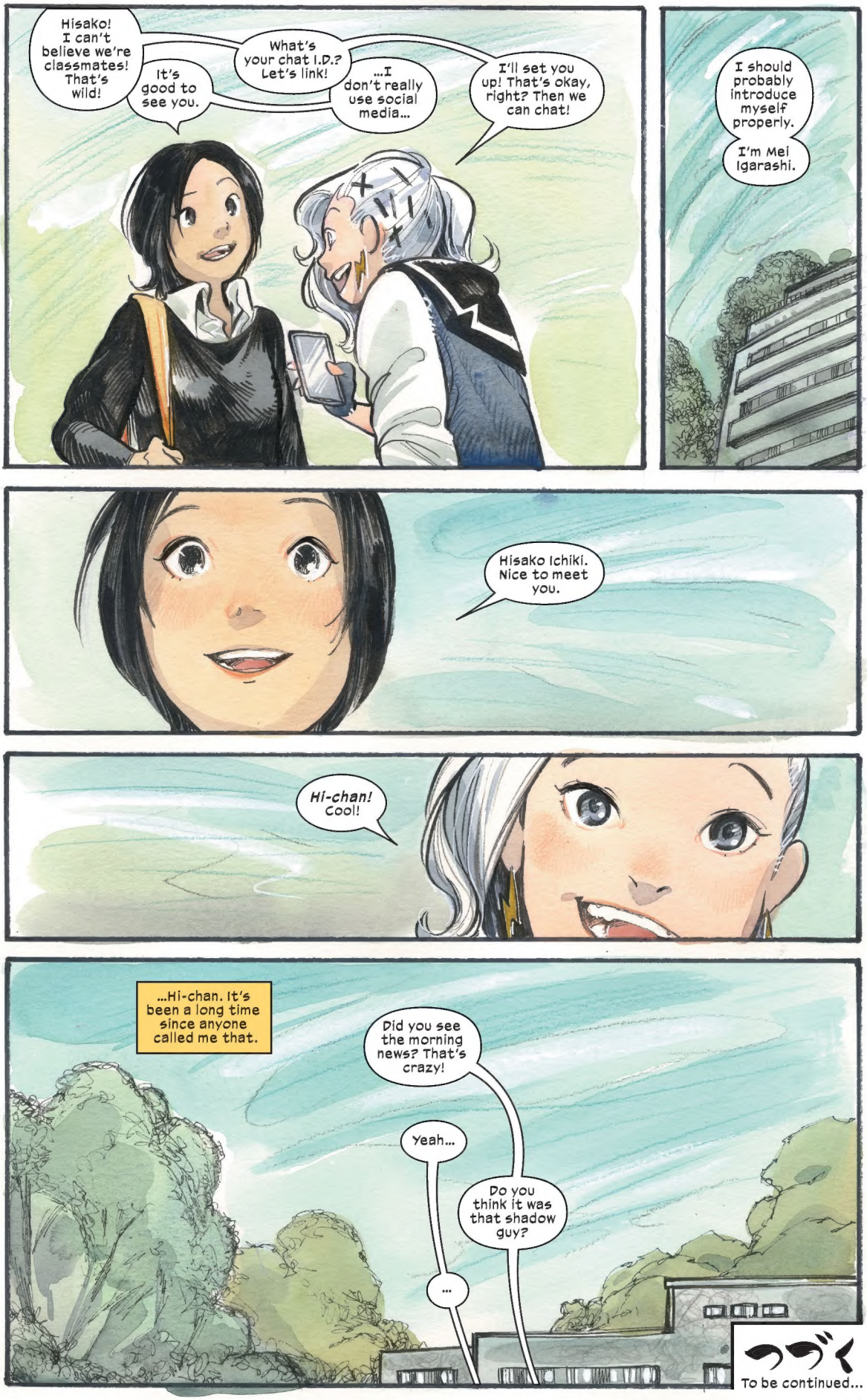
入学式
I saw it on the news the next morning. Three students were found hanging at our old middle school.
I know it wasn't suicide. I wonder if I'm cursed and going to die too.
Psst!
Heeeey.


Hisako! I can't believe we're classmates! That's wild!
It's good to see you.
What's your chat I.D.? Let's link!
...I don't really use social media...
I'll set you up! That's okay, right? Then we can chat!
I should probably introduce myself properly.
I'm Mei Igarashi.
Hisako Ichiki. Nice to meet you.
Hi-chan! Cool!
...Hi-chan. It's been a long time since anyone called me that.
Did you see the morning news? That's crazy!
Yeah...
Do you think it was that shadow guy?
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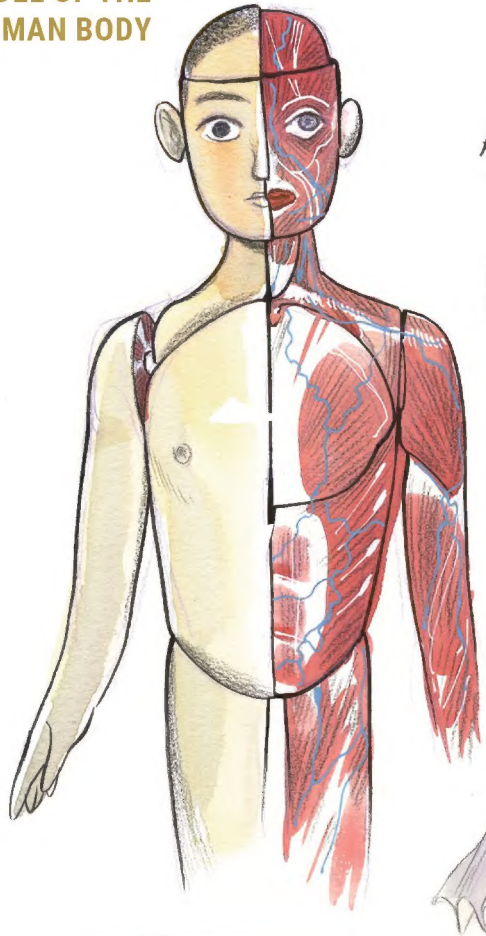
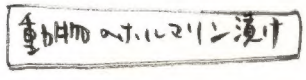
ANATOMY AND SCIENCE CLASSROOM

ANATOMICAL MODEL OF THE HUMAN BODY



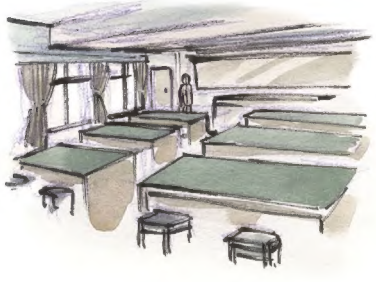
学校の理科室では
たくさんの保存液などあふれている。
人体模型や ホルマリン漬け、
死を連想させるものたちで
あふれているからだろうか…？



There are many ghost stories about the anatomy and science classroom.

Maybe because there are so many dead things in the room...?

SKELETON MODEL



FORMALIN-PERSERVED SPECIMENS